

Baby Layette — Frock, Coat, Bonnet, Bootees, Mittens using Aotea Worsted, Crepe, Super Baby or Spiral Spun Exlan 4-Ply Qualities.

THE GARMENTS ILLUSTRATED WERE CROCHETED IN AOTEA 4-PLY SUPER BABY WOOL.

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Ozs.

The Set 17, Frock 7, Coat 8, Bonnet 1, Bootees 1, Mittens 1.

MATERIALS: Actea 4-ply qualities. 3 buttons each for Frock and Coat, Ribbon for Bonnet, Mittens and Bootees. A No. 10 (3mm) crochet hook, or any size hook which will achieve correct tension. A No. 12 (2.50mm) crochet hook for cuffs of mittens only.

MEASUREMENTS: To fit 18-20 in chest. Length of Frock and Coat, 14 ins.

TENSION: On Yoke pattern:—II trebles or double crochet to 2 ins in width. Skirt, pattern (with 3 tr groups):— $l\frac{1}{2}$ ins to one pattern repeat.

ABBREVIATIONS: Ch, chain; dc, double crochet; tr, treble; sp, space; ptn, pattern; st, stitch; sl, slip; gp, group; wl, wool; ins, inches; beg, beginning; cont, continue(s)(ing); tog, together; rem, remains(ing); fin, finish(es); meas, measures; rep, repeat; inc, increase; dec, decrease; hk, hook; rsf, right side facing; rnd, round; ea, each.

IMPORTANT: Please check your tension before starting this garment by crocheting a sample at least 2 inches square. If you obtain a tighter tension than specified, change to a larger hook. If looser use a smaller hook.

FROCK

Commence with Yoke: Ch 65.

Ist row: I tr in 4th ch from hk, I tr in ea of next 10 ch, 3 tr in next ch, I tr in ea next 5 ch, 3 tr in next ch, I tr in ea next 25 ch, 3 tr in next ch, I tr in ea next 5 ch, 3 tr in next ch, I tr in ea next 12 ch, turn (71 tr).

2nd row: 2 ch (stands for I dc), I dc in ea next 12 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 7 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 27 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 7 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 13 tr, turn 75 dc.

3rd row: 3 ch (for I tr), I tr in ea next I3 dc, 3 tr in next dc, I tr in ea next 7 dc, 3 tr in next dc, I tr in ea next 29 dc, 3 tr in next dc, I tr in ea next 7 dc, 3 tr in next dc, I tr in ea next 14 dc, turn (83 tr).

4th row: 2 ch (for I dc), I dc in ea next 14 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 9 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 31 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 9 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 9 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 15 tr, turn (87 dc).

5th row: 3 ch (for I tr), I tr in ea next 14 dc, 3 tr in next dc, I tr in ea next II

dc, 3 tr in next dc, 1 tr in ea next 31 dc, 3 tr in next dc, 1 tr in ea next 11 dc, 3 tr in next dc, 1 tr in ea next 15 dc, turn (95 tr).

6th row: 2 ch (for 1 dc), 1 dc in ea next 15 tr, 2 dc in next tr, 1 dc in ea next 13 tr, 2 dc in next tr, 1 dc in ea next 33 tr, 2 dc in next tr, 1 dc in ea next 13 tr, 2 dc in next tr, 1 dc in ea next 16 tr, turn (99 dc).

7th row: 3 ch (for I tr), I tr in ea next 16 dc, 3 tr in next dc, I tr in ea next 13 dc, 3 tr in next dc, I tr in ea next 35 dc, 3 tr in next dc, I tr in ea next 13 dc, 3 tr in next dc, I tr in ea next 17 dc (107 tr), turn.

8th row: 2 ch (for I dc), I dc in ea next 17 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 15 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 37 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 15 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 18 tr (III dc), turn.

9th row: 3 ch (for 1 tr), I tr in ea next 18 dc, 2 tr in next dc, place marker, I tr in same place as last 2 tr, I tr in ea next 15 dc, I tr in next dc, place marker, 2 tr in same place as last tr, I tr in ea next 39 dc, 2 tr in next dc, place marker, I tr in same place as last 2 tr, 1 tr in ea next 15 dc, I tr in next dc, place marker, 2 tr in same place as last tr, 1 tr in ea next 19 dc. Fasten off. Yoke completed (119 tr).

SKIRT FRONT With rsf, beg at 2nd marker and work across the 43 tr between markers:—

Ist (foundation) row: Join wl to first trinside marker, 3 ch (for 1 tr), miss 1 tr, * 3 tr into next tr (a 3 tr gp), 1 ch, 1 tr in next tr, 1 ch, a 3 tr gp into next tr, 1 tr in next tr; rep from * across until 5 tr rem before next marker, a 3 tr gp in next tr, 1 ch, 1 tr in next tr, 1 ch, a 3 tr gp in next tr, miss 1 tr, 1 tr in last tr, turn.

Ist ptn row: 3 ch (for | tr), * a 3 tr gp into I ch sp of previous row, I ch, I tr into top of next tr, I ch, a 3 tr gp in next I ch sp, I tr in next tr of previous row; rep from * working last tr into top of turning ch (10 ptns), turn.

Rep this last row 6 times. Now work an inc row by working 4 tr gps instead of 3 tr gps into the 1 chrsps. Rep this last row 6 times. Now work another inc row by working 5 tr gps in ch sps instead of the 4 tr ones on previous rows. Cont in ptn as now established until 25 rows have been worked from yoke. Fasten off.

BACK Now on ea side of back from markers to back opening (21 tr ea side), work a foundation row as first row on skirt front but omitting the miss one tr at ea end of work, then work 3 ptn rows. Now combine the 2 sides into one by overlapping 1 tr at centre back and work across all sts (10 ptns) to match front.

seam from yoke. Rejoin wl, I tr into side of 4th tr gp from yoke, a 3 tr gp into edge of next gp, I ch, I tr into 2nd of 3 ch between gp edges, I ch, a 3 tr gp into first ch of next sp, I tr into edge of next gp, a 3 tr gp into 3rd ch of ch between gps, now work across the I7 tr of armhole edge, commencing with I ch, I tr in first tr, I ch, cont across as for foundation row of skirt, thus ending with I ch, I tr in last tr, then work down side seam to match opposite side, I ch, a 3 tr gp into first ch of ch between gps, I tr into edge of first gp, a 3 tr gp into 3rd of 3 ch between gps, I ch, I tr into 2nd of 3 ch between next gps, I ch, a 3 tr gp into edge of next gp, I tr into side of next gp (4th gp from yoke edge). Now work 5 rows of ptn as beg of skirt (7 ptns).

Next row: I tr in first tr, (I tr in centre of gp, I tr in next tr), rep between brackets to end. Fasten off.

Work 2nd sleeve the same.

COAT

Work yoke same as frock, this time opening is down front. Work back skirt of coat as for front skirt of frock. Work ea side of front skirts as at beg of frock back and cont fronts separately, making same depth and working increases as for back.

SLEEVES Work as for frock sleeves but work 13 ptn rows.

BONNET

4 ch, join into ring with a sl st.

Ist rnd: 8 dc into ring, sl st into first dc, turn at end of ea rnd.

2nd rnd: 3ch (for 1 tr), 1 tr into same st, 2 tr in ea dc (16 tr), join, turn.

3rd rnd: 2 ch (for 1 dc), 2 dc into every 2nd tr around (24 dc), join, turn.

4th rnd: 3 ch, 2 tr in ea 4th dc (vary positions of increases so that they won't be immediately over ea other on succeeding rnds) around (30 tr), join, turn.

5th rnd: 2 ch, 2 dc in ea 3rd tr around (40 dc), join turn.

6th rnd: 3 ch, 2 tr in ea 4th dc around (50 tr), join, turn.

7th rnd: 2 ch, 2 dc in ea 5th tr around (60 dc), join, turn.

8th rnd: 3 ch, 2 tr in ea 6th dc around (70 tr), join, turn.

9th rnd: Work in dc without inc.

With rsf, mark off 5 dc for centre back bonnet, place markers and work on the rem 65dc. Rejoin wl at marker, 3 ch (for 1 tr), * miss 2 dc, 3 tr gp in next dc, 1 ch, 1 tr in next dc, 1 ch, 3 tr gp in next dc, miss 2 dc, 1 tr in next dc; rep from * 7 times (8 ptns). Now work back and forth for 8 ptn rows. (as ptn at beg of skirt). Fasten off.

BOOTEES

2 alike: Sole: 14 ch.

Ist rnd: 3 dc in 2nd ch from hk, dc in ea next II ch, 3 dc in last ch, now work down other side of starting ch, dc in ea next II (28 dc).

2nd rnd: (2 dc in ea next 3 dc, dc in ea next 11) twice (34 dc).

3rd rnd: (dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc) 3 times, dc in ea next 12 dc, 2 dc in next dc, (dc in next dc, 2 dc in next dc) twice, dc in next 11 dc (40 dc).

4th and 5th rnds: Dc around, inc 3 times evenly spaced at ea end (52 dc). Place a marker at ea end of work to denote centre back and centre front and sl st along to first marker. From here on work backwards and forwards in alternate tr and dc rows as on

yoke of frock (centre back seam is later joined).

Ist row: 3 ch (for I tr), I tr in ea dc to end, turn.

2nd row: 2 ch (for I dc), I dc in ea tr to end, turn.

3rd row: Rep 1st row, turn.

20 tr, miss I tr, dc in ea next 8, miss I tr, dc in ea next 21 tr, turn (50 dc).

5th row: 3 ch (for 1 tr), 1 tr in ea next 19 dc, miss 1 dc, 1 tr in ea next 8 dc, miss 1 dc, 1 tr in ea next 20 dc, turn (48 tr). Fasten off.

Now on centre front of bootee, count off 4 tr ea side of front marker, Beg on wrong side with a dc row and work I row dc and I row tr on these 8 sts, turning at end of ea row, leaving 20 sts ea side of instep. Rep the last 2 rows on these 8 sts once. Fasten off. Join instep neatly to ea side, using 8 sts from ea side to join to sides of instep. Work a row of dc around ankle of bootee, inc I dc in centre of row to make 33 dc in row.

** Now work a row of ribbonholes:—3 ch (for 1 tr), * miss 1 dc, 1 ch, 1 tr in next dc; rep from * to end, turn.

Now work foundation row of ptn:—3 ch (for I tr), * miss 2 sts (either ch or tr of previous row), a 3 tr gp in next st, I ch, I tr in next st, I ch, a 3 tr gp in next st, miss 2 sts, I tr in next st; rep from * to end.

Now work back and forth in the st ptn for 3 or more rows (depending on length of bootee required). Bootee may be worn turned over at ankles if desired.

MITTENS

2 alike. 15 ch.

Ist row: I do into 3rd ch from hk, I do into same ch as last do, I do in ea of next 3 do, 2 do in next ch, I do in ea next 2 do, 2 do into next ch, I do in ea next 3 do, 2 do into next ch, I do into last ch (18 do), turn.

2nd row: 3 ch (for 1 tr), 2 tr in next dc, 1 tr in ea next 5 dc, 2 tr in next dc, 1 tr in ea next 2 dc, 2 tr in next dc, 1 tr in ea next 5 dc, 2 tr in next dc, 1 tr in last dc (22 tr), turn.

3rd row: 2 ch (for I dc), 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 7 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 2 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in ea next 7 tr, 2 dc in next tr, I dc in last tr (26 dc), turn.

4th row: 3 ch (for I tr), 2 tr in next dc, I tr in ea next 9 dc, 2 tr in next dc, I tr in ea next 2 dc, 2 tr in next dc, I tr in ea next 9 dc, 2 tr in next dc, I tr in last dc (30 tr), turn.

Cont on these 30 sts with alt rows of dc and tr until work meas 3 ins from beg. Change to size 12 (2.50mm) hk and work a row of dc, inc 3 sts evenly over row (33 dc). Now work a row of ribbonholes as from ** in Bootee instructions, followed by a row of dc. Work foundation ptn row as on bootees after ribbonholes, followed by 2 ptn rows. Fasten off.

TO MAKE UP Press work on wrong side with warm iron over damp cloth. Frock: Join side and sleeve seams. Work 2 rows dc around sleeve edges. . Work a row of dc around neck, followed by a row of ribbonholes as from ** on bootee instructions. Now work a row of dc down back opening, then work a 2nd row, making 3 buttonholes on left side yoke evenly spaced by missing 2 dc and working 2 ch over the missed dcs. Work a final row on back opening, working 2 dc into ea 2 ch sp forming buttonhole, then work a shell edge around neck edge thus:—I do into top of back opening, * 3 tr into ribbonhole, I dc into next ribbonhole; rep from * around. Fasten off. Press seams. Sew on buttons. Thread ribbon through neck. Coat: Join side and sleeve seams. Work 2 rows dc around cuff edges. Work a row dc around neck, followed by a row of ribbonholes. Now work a shell edge (as on frock) around neck and front edges. To make front edges correct depth (not stretched or puckered up) it will be necessary to work a 3 tr shell into every 3rd ptn row up fronts, working a dc halfway between each 3 tr shell (these shells will be more stretched out than the neck ones). Make 3 small buttonholes on right front by using the gaps between trs and buttonholing around them. Press seams. Sew on buttons. Thread ribbon through neck. Bonnet: Work 3 rows dc around neck edges, dec a little at centre back. Sew on ribbons. Bootees: Join back seams. Press seams. Thread ankles with ribbon or a crocheted chain. Mittens: Join seams and across tops. Press seams. Thread wrists with ribbon or a crocheted chain.